| UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK | DOCUMENT ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC #: DATE FILED: 8/18/2020 |
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| MARISOL DEFREITAS, | : : |
| Plaintiff, | : 1:20-cv-5386-GHW |
| -against- | : : <u>ORDER</u> |
| COMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY, | : |
| Defendant. | : : : V |

GREGORY H. WOODS, United States District Judge:

To conserve resources, to promote judicial efficiency, and in an effort to achieve a faster disposition of this matter, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties must discuss whether they are willing to consent, under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), to conducting all further proceedings before the assigned Magistrate Judge.

If both parties consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge, counsel for the defendant must, within two weeks of the date of this order file on ECF a fully executed Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form, a copy of which is attached to this order (and also available at https://nysd.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/2018-06/AO-3.pdf). The executed form should be filed on ECF as a "Proposed Order," and be described using the "Consent Order" filing event in accordance with ECF Rule 13.18. If the Court approves that form, all further proceedings will then be conducted before the assigned Magistrate Judge rather than before me. Any appeal would be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, as it would be if the consent form were not signed and so ordered.

If either party does not consent to conducting all further proceedings before the assigned Magistrate Judge, the parties must file a joint letter, within two weeks of the date of this order

advising the Court that the parties do not consent, **but without disclosing the identity of the**party or parties who do not consent. The parties are free to withhold consent without negative consequences.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 18, 2020 New York, New York

GREGORYH. WOODS United States District Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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| Plaintiff V. Defendant |))) Civil Action N) | Го. | |
| NOTICE, CONSENT, AND REFERE | NCE OF A CIVIL ACTION | TO A MAGISTF | RATE JUDGE |
| Notice of a magistrate judge's availability proceedings in this civil action (including a jury or then be appealed directly to the United States court exercise this authority only if all parties voluntari | nonjury trial) and to order the en of appeals like any other judgm | itry of a final judgn | nent. The judgment may |
| You may consent to have your case referre substantive consequences. The name of any party be involved with your case. | | | |
| Consent to a magistrate judge's authority conduct all proceedings in this case including tria | | | |
| Parties' printed names | Signatures of parties or at | torneys | Dates |
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| | Reference Order | | |
| IT IS ORDERED: This case is referred order the entry of a final judgment in accordance | | | l proceedings and |
| Date: | | | |
| | D | istrict Judge's signati | ure |
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